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REF: A. SAIGON 231; B. SAIGON 174

- 1. YOU SHOULD CONTACT GVN MISSION GENEVA TO LEARN THEIR PLANS FOR PRESENTING GVN REQUEST FOR AID TO WAR VICTIMS, REPORTED REFTEL, TO ICRC, UNHCR, UNICEF, WHO AND LEAGUE OF RED CROSS SOCIETIES. FOLLOWING THE GVN APPROACHES, YOU SHOULD IN TURN APPROACH ORGANIZATIONS IN QUESTION IN ORDER TO GAIN MAXIMUM FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION OF THE GVN APPEALS.
- 2. YOU MAY WISH TO NOTE THAT FROM OUR KNOWLEDGE MAGNITUDE OF PROBLEM FACING GVN IS CONSIDERABLE AND WILL TAX GVN RESOURCES TO THEIR UTMOST, LEAVING LITTLE IF ANY RESERVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO MEET REQUIREMENTS WHICH FURTHER COMMUNIST MILITARY

## ACTION WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY GENERATE.

3. FOR YOUR BACKGROUND, NUMBER OF PERSONS REPORTED DIS-PLACED BY COMBAT IN RVN JUMPED 38 PER CENT (FROM 124,000 TO 172,000) BETWEEN NOVEMBER 27 AND DECEMBER 31, I.E. IN PERIOD SINCE COMMUNISTS BEGAN CURRENT ESCALATION OF MILI-TARY ACTIVITY. SHARPEST INCREASE WAS IN MILITARY REGION 3 (SCENE OF FALL OF PHUOC LONG PROVINCE JANUARY 7). NUMBER OF DISPLACED PERSONS THERE INCREASED 138 PER CENT, FROM

15,000 TO 39,000, BETWEEN NOVEMBER 27 AND DECEMBER 31. THERE HAVE BEEN FURTHER INCREASES SINCE JANUARY 2. IN PHUOC LONG PROVINCE ALONE SOME 10,000 PERSONS HAD TAKEN REFUGE IN THE PROVINCE CAPITAL AFTER COMMUNIST FORCES OVERRAN THEIR HOMES ELSEWHERE. THEIR FATE AND THE FATE OF OTHER CITY RESIDENTS SINCE COMMUNISTS TOOK THE CAPITAL JANUARY 7 IS STILL UNKNOWN (SEE REF B). APPROXIMATELY 4,000 PERSONS HAVE REPORTEDLY FLED TAY NINH PROVINCE SINCE INCREASING FIGHTING BEGAN THERE. INGERSOLL

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